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(A) the following information about shooting (AKA fire arm/weapon discharge, AKA officer-involved-shooting, AKA CBSA-involved-shooting) incidents by employees/members/agents/officers of the Canada Border Services Agency and its predecessor agencies/ministries:

There has been one operational discharge by a CBSA officer in self defense.

(A.1) by year, the number of CBSA-involved-shooting incidents per year;

There has only been one “shooting incident” or operation discharge of the duty firearm by a CBSA officer in self defense since CBSA officers have been armed in 2007. This occurred at a Port of Entry in 2015. The Officer discharged their duty firearm at an attacking dog in self defense, the dog was wounded but survived. The below table lists a total of 15 unintentional discharges that all occurred during handling (loading/unloading/dry-fire practice) away from public and not during a use of force incident. The intentional discharges (10 total) include the one dog incident mentioned above and the remainder all involved euthanizing a critically injured animal (deer or moose) as a result of motor vehicle collision in remote areas CBSA officers happened upon in transit.

Fiscal year	Discharges (unintentional)	Intentional Discharges (Critically injured animals euthanized)
FY 2007-2008	0	0
FY 2008-2009	0	0
FY 2009-2010	0	1
FY 2010-2011	2	0
FY 2011-2012	1	0
FY 2012-2013	2	0
FY 2013-2014	2	2
FY 2014-2015	3	0
FY 2015-2016	1	3**
FY 2016-2017	0	2
FY 2017-2018	1	0
FY 2018-2019	0	0
FY 2019-2020	3	2
FY 2020-2021	0	0
TOTAL	15	10

**includes a defensive discharge at an attacking dog

(A.2) by year, the (i) names, (ii) calibres, and (iii) types of weapons/arms (e.g. Taser, 9mm GLOCK service pistol, 223 carbine, crew-served weapons, etc.) used by a member of the CBSA in that year's CBSA-involved shooting incidents;

The CBSA only fields one firearm, it is the Beretta PX4 Storm pistol model D in calibre 9x19mm. CBSA officers are not equipped with Conducted Energy Devices (CED) such as "Taser". The only operational discharge (see Answer (A.1)) was utilizing the issued Beretta PX4 and therefore a 9x19mm round was discharged. All unintentional/intentional discharges also involved only the 9x19mm calibre.

(A.3) by year, the number of times each type of weapon/arm was used by a member of the CBSA in that year's CBSA-involved shooting incidents;

The following table includes all incident where an officer drew their duty firearm (Beretta PX4 Storm model D, 9x19mm) in a use of force incident AND during a unintentional/intentional discharge (as listed in the above table from answer A.1)

Fiscal year	# of incidents Duty Firearm(s) drawn * (includes discharges)
FY 2007-2008	8
FY 2008-2009	32
FY 2009-2010	32
FY 2010-2011	38
FY 2011-2012	41
FY 2012-2013	39
FY 2013-2014	30
FY 2014-2015	37
FY 2015-2016	22
FY 2016-2017	13
FY 2017-2018	19
FY 2018-2019	13
FY 2019-2020	30
FY 2020-2121	18
TOTAL	334

(A.4) by year, the number of shots discharged by each type of weapon/arm that was used by a member of the CBSA in each of that year's CBSA involved-shooting incidents;

In every incident where an officer discharged their duty firearm unintentionally, only one round was fired. In the dog attack incident from 2015/16, the officer discharged only one round at the attacking dog. In the animal incidents the numbers of shots to dispatch the injured animal was not recorded and it may have taken multiple shots to dispatch the animal humanely.

Fiscal year	# of incidents Firearm(s) drawn * (includes discharges)	Duty Discharges (unintentional) 15, 9mm rounds discharged total	Intentional Discharges (Critically injured animals euthanized) Total # of rounds discharged not recorded
FY 2007-2008	8	0	0
FY 2008-2009	32	0	0
FY 2009-2010	32	0	1
FY 2010-2011	38	2	0
FY 2011-2012	41	1	0
FY 2012-2013	39	2	0
FY 2013-2014	30	2	2
FY 2014-2015	37	3	0
FY 2015-2016	22	1	3**
FY 2016-2017	13	0	2
FY 2017-2018	19	1	0
FY 2018-2019	13	0	0
FY 2019-2020	30	3	2
FY 2020-2021	18	0	0
TOTAL	334	15	10

*each incident may include multiple officers drawing their duty firearm (other lower force options could also be present)

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(A.5) by year, the number of shots per weapon/arm type discharged by a member of the CBSA that did not hit the anticipated target (i.e. "misses?? per arm/weapon type);

There were zero operation discharges where a CBSA officer missed the target. The 15 unintentional discharges were unintended so they did not have a target, however the majority of the 15 occurred in the "arming room" of a CBSA office and the discharge occurred into the ballistic panel that was designed for such a purpose.

(A.6) by year, the number of members of the CBSA who discharged arms/weapons in each of that year's CBSA involved-shooting incidents (i.e. how many shooting incidents involved 1 member of the CBSA discharging a weapon/arm, how many shooting incidents involved 2 members of the CBSA discharging a weapon/arm, etc.). ”

All of the recorded discharge incidents in the above tables involved only one officer discharging their duty firearm in each of the incidents. So in all 25 incidents one officer discharge a duty fire arm, Zero incidents involved multiple officers discharging their duty fire arms.